Zoology is the study of animals, from the simplest sponges to the most advanced arthropods, mollusks, and vertebrates. The Zoology major is housed in the Department of Evolution, Ecology, and Organismal Biology, which offers courses in the major animal groups (e.g., invertebrates, fish, birds, and mammals), as well as courses in evolution, ecology, aquatic biology, conservation, behavior, and physiology. Completion of the Zoology major will provide the proper underlying preparation for post-graduate education, as well as for entry-level jobs across a range of animal-related occupations.

Career Areas/Job Titles:

**Management and Industry**
- Animal Breeder
- Animal Nutritionist
- Biological Supply Provider
- Environmental Health Safety Monitor
- Sales Representative
- Animal Caretaker
- Animal Trainer
- Aquarist
- Docent/Educator
- Zookeeper

**Communication and Media**
- Magazine Editor

**Education**
- Ecotourism Guide
- Life Science Teacher
- Environmental Educator
- Research Assistant

**Non-Profit/Advocacy**
- Animal Rights Advocate
- Farming Reform Advocate
- Animal Protection Agent
- Museum Collections Manager

**Health Professions**
- Health Professions
- Pet Therapist
- Veterinarian Technician

**Science and Technology**
- Ornithologist
- Reintroduction Specialist
- Wildlife Biologist

**Government/Politics**
- Fish and Game Warden
- Environmental Lawyer
- Environmental Protection Agent
- Conservationist
- Parks Naturalist
- USDA Inspector

**Transferable Skills:**
- Biology Focus
- Evolution and Ecology
- Expressing Ideas
- Written Communication
- Service Orientation
- Teaching/Instructing Others
- Analytical/Critical Thinking
- Data Analysis
- Developing Evaluation
- Strategies
- Experimental Design
- Gathering Information
- Quantitative Reasoning
- Research Skills
- Adaptability/Flexibility
- Initiative
- Multi-tasking
- Managing Time/Stress

*Some careers may require licensure, certification, or further education. Talk to an advisor about specific requirements.*

*This is not an extensive list of transferable skills. See larger list of skills you might develop here: [http://ccss.osu.edu](http://ccss.osu.edu)*

Professional Links:

- Columbus Zoo Volunteer Opportunities: [http://www.colszoo.org/join_the_team/volunteer/default.aspx](http://www.colszoo.org/join_the_team/volunteer/default.aspx)

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